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Franklin County, PA Criminal Conflict Counsel

The County of Franklin, Pennsylvania invites qualified individuals or firms to submit letters of interest to perform the duties of a Conflict Attorney for the Franklin County branch of the 39th Judicial District Court of Common Pleas. This contract commences upon execution and ends on December 31, 2024. The annual starting rate of \$65,854.39 will be prorated to the contract execution date for the first year. The annual rate will increase 2% each subsequent year with a rate of \$67,171.47 for the year 2023 and a rate of \$68,514.90 for the year 2024.

The Conflict Attorney is responsible for representing criminal defendants who qualify for representation by the Public Defender, but for whom the Public Defender cannot represent because of a conflict of interest. Cases are assigned by the District Court Administrator's Office.

In addition to the base rate, those cases assigned to the Conflict Attorney which go to trial will be paid at the rate of \$80.00 per hour including all time after the pre-trial conference with the Court. For cases in which any post-sentenced motions are filed for the purpose of appeal, or otherwise, to the Superior Court or the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, the Conflict Attorney shall be compensated at the rate of \$80.00 per hour once the defendant instructs the Conflict Attorney to file a post-sentence motion or appeal.

Interested individuals must:

- Possess a Juris Doctorate from an accredited law school
- Be admitted to, and be a member in good standing of, the Bar of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- Have three to five years of experience practicing in criminal law.

Interested qualified individuals or firms are asked to send a detailed letter of interest and resume via email to cefake@franklincountypa.gov or by mail to the address below. The letter of interest must also describe the fee structure.

Letters of interest and resumes are due February 25, 2022. The selection process may also include interviews. Franklin County reserves the right to reject all letters and reopen the solicitation.

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